

The Avalanche

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KENTUCKIANS are not wholly free from slang, but they never use the slangy expression, "I will take water," when they mean to back out.

It may be all right for Mrs. Frank Leslie to keep the public in the dark as to her present matrimonial schemes, but it is very extraordinary.

Error is being made to repeal the New York law against attempted suicide. The only effect of such a law is to stimulate the victim to do a thorough job.

The editor of an exchange says he knows some people so exceedingly modest that in speaking of a person's legs they persist in calling it a limb; but the young lady who, in speaking of a certain breed of chickens, called them Brown Limbhorns, he thinks, entitled to the cake and whole bakery.

The bright, stirring advertising solicitors who represent the various publications of any city are worth more to the community at large than any other class of citizens. They are brim full of new ideas, bubbling over with hope, and always looking out for the best interests of their city. Their motto is like that of the Irishman who said: "Never say die till you're dead, boys, and then you can't say it at all." They are the sunshine of trade and one of the mainsprings of business.

It is proposed to build a ship canal from Lake Michigan to Lake Erie, or practically from Chicago to Toledo. The expense is estimated at \$50,000,000, and such a canal would place Chicago over 500 miles nearer the seaboard by a water route than she is now. With a ship canal to Toledo, and another to the Mississippi River, Chicago would soon become the commercial center of the United States. In this connection "money talks." The question of practicability is merely the question of raising the necessary funds for the work.

SECRETARY CARLISLE'S invitation of bids for the new bonds provides that offerings for gold only shall be made. Commenting on this fact, the London News says that the stipulation "comes perilously near putting a premium on gold," but adds: "In America they are always going to the verge of trouble with ingenious financial experiments, but they usually pull up in time." There is considerable truth and more than considerable good nature in this remark of John Bull relating to the somewhat eccentric but never absolutely disastrous methods of American governmental financiers.

The sad ending of the Howard case has not seriously depressed the fraudulent industry of fabulous English estate claims. A Florida newspaper says that "there are several old-time residents of Jacksonville who are direct descendants and heirs to an immense estate in England, amounting to somewhere into the hundreds of millions." This is the "Townley estate" fraud, exposed in the cable dispatches from London. In an endeavor to check enterprise in this form of rascality the London Times publishes a report of all chancery cases of unclaimed money, and it appears that no really considerable sum awaits any claimant in any case of the kind.

Gov. TILLMAN, of South Carolina, has written a circular letter to the Mayors of all the cities in that State notifying them that unless they enforce the dispensary law he will not allow them their share of the revenue of the State bar-rooms. It behooves a Mayor down there to attend strictly to business. If he overlooks a "wink" given by a constituent to the drug clerk the finances of his town suffer. On the other hand, if he see that the law is enforced, he is not only doing his duty but the city treasury is materially aided. Whatever may be said against South Carolina's liquor law, it must be admitted that it develops business instinct in Mayors and compels them to earn their salaries.

ALPINE disasters long have been and still are so common that they excite but passing notice. They will continue to happen so long as daring exists in the human breast. Few tourists consider their trip abroad complete without scaling the heights of the Alps. These dangerous trips are not prompted by scientific inquiry, but by the spirit of daring, the desire to accomplish what others have done. A mountaineering party of nine persons have just come to grief in an attempt to ascend Ginefetti, one of the highest peaks of the Alps. They were overtaken by a storm, in which one succumbed and the others were badly frozen. The ascent to the peak was not made and the party were glad to return to their headquarters at a summer resort, with their appetite for excitement unappeased but under control. There is some excuse for braving the perils of an arctic voyage, but none for indulging in the Alpine habit.

An inventor in Cincinnati has discovered a method for welding aluminum. At a test made recently the success of the method was demonstrated. Not only was the aluminum joined together, but, subjected to a severe strain, the welded joint proved of greater strength than the pure

metal. For lack of a more suitable word the welding preparation is called solder, though, properly speaking, it is not an alloy or solder, but a substance that, when combined with tin solder and heated to a degree sufficient to melt ordinary solder, unites with the latter, producing a perfect fusion of the two metals. The use of aluminum has been restrained by the absence of some such method as discovered by the Cincinnati. The process of welding it after a fashion has been known, but it was unsatisfactory owing to the weakness at the joint, which minimized the strength of the metal. The invention is a valuable one, for it will hasten the day when aluminum can be used in commercial quantities.

The character, the length, the quality, the doctrinal features of homilies have caused trouble in church societies, but it is believed that the number of sermons preached by a pastor to his congregation has cut but little figure in religious discussions. A member of a church in Quincy, Ill., has been before the church board to answer to the charge of publicly stating that the pastor of the congregation had "only fifteen sermons" that he preached. It is presumed that the statement was intended as a reflection on the pastor. Trips to the "barrel" were too frequent. The discourses may have been the acme of scriptural research, profound in erudition and sound in doctrine and in logic, but there were not enough of them. By reason of their paucity their scope was cramped, their return engagement too frequent. These may have been the causes leading to the charge of "only fifteen sermons." If this be true the minister erred in not increasing his stock to fifty-two, one for each week in the year. The parishioner who can carry even the salient points of a homily in his head for a year is certainly endowed with sufficient charity to overlook a repetition.

This bill which has been recently drafted to prevent cruelty to animals on board ship is one which every humane person will be glad to see passed. Some such measure should have been enacted long ago and a stop put to the ill-treatment of cattle on the ocean. The extent of this cruelty can hardly be imagined, and no doubt shippers themselves never realized the gravity of the situation until their suspicions were aroused by the annual losses and detectives were put aboard to look into things. It is surprising that officers of vessels would so far forget themselves as to allow men in their employ to bruise, maim and even kill dumb brutes entrusted to their care. It is high time to call a halt to such practices, and if the bill should become a law it should be enforced to the very letter. Nor is this cruelty entirely confined to marine shipments. Packers have often complained of the bruised condition of cattle shipped by rail. A brutal man with an uncontrollable temper and a prod pole can do an inestimable amount of damage to an inoffending, defenseless dumb brute. It is a wonder that the humane society doesn't look into these matters a little closer and give some of these heartless cow punchers a taste of the law.

The Supreme Court of the United States furnishes interesting instances of active longevity. Justice Blatchford, who died recently, was seventy-three years old, and was very active up to the time of his death. Chief Justice Roger B. Taney remained on the bench until he was eighty-eight. He began an autobiography at the age of seventy-seven, but did not finish it. Chief Justice Marshall, who served from 1800 to 1835, was eighty years old when ill health compelled him to leave Washington. He was a delegate to the convention for revising the State constitution of Virginia when he was seventy-four years old, and it is said that though he did not speak often in the convention, when he did speak he showed that his mind was clear and his reasoning as solid as in his younger days. Chief Justice Waite, who died five years ago, remained on the Supreme Bench to the last, though he was seventy-two years old when he died. Justice Strong, who is still living in Washington, retired from the Supreme Bench at the age of seventy-two. Noah H. Swayne, who died in 1884, retired from the Supreme Bench at the age of seventy-seven. Only one of the present members of the Supreme Court is more than seventy years old. This one is Justice Field, who is now seventy-seven. All of these eminent men did their best judicial work after they had passed their seventieth year.

In Brazil. Traveling in the interior of Brazil, a gentleman put up for a night at a farm-house furnished in the primitive style of the country; but on the table, in company with a long tall candle, were placed a handsome pair of plated snufflers and its stand, which the owner had received as a present from Rio Janeiro. "What conveniences you invent in Europe!" said the Brazilian to his guest. Before I received this present, I used, on taking off the candle-snuff, to throw it about the floor, perchance on the bench where I was sitting, or over my clothes; but now mark the difference." So saying he plucked off the long snuff between his thumb and finger, put it carefully in the snufflers, and bled him up with a look of triumph at his highly amused spectator.

Horde Hide in Favor. Twenty years ago there were but two or three manufacturers of horse hide leather in this country. The consumption of this leather is large and rapidly increasing.



MIDWINTER MILLINERY.

GOWNS AND GOWNING.

WOMEN GIVE MUCH ATTENTION TO WHAT THEY WEAR.

Brief Glances at Fancied Femine, Frivolous, Mayhap, and Yet Offered in the Hope that the Reading May Prove Restful to Wearied Womanhood.

Gossip from Gay Gotham.

TREET dresses are often made of velvet that is, the dresses which are distinctly for parade purposes, or which are worn at the afternoon lecture, the matinee or church. This, of course, does not include the shopping gown, for the really elegant woman does not shopping. She leaves the purchasing of materials to her dressmaker and designer. Many ladies send orders through them or depend on their selection. Nowhere except on horseback does a woman's figure and style show to such advantage as on the street. Gowns for traveling or for the carriage. They are a distinct branch of outdoor gown. Under this general head is included the street or walking gown, the carriage dress, more delicate, longer and more elaborate and intended for the daily drive, or for calling when the closed carriage is



FOR AN AFTERNOON AT THE THEATRE.

used. The traveling gown is extreme in its severity and the shopping dress is almost equally plain of cut, but may be made in a greater variety of colors and materials. Shopping trips are rare occasions with the wearer of the dress in the initial picture, but she nevertheless called it a shopping gown. Black velvet was its material and the panel was moss green and the reception collar with silk in a slightly pale shade. The bottom of the skirt as well as the edges that lie against the panels were embroidered with jet, as shown. The skirt was lined with silk, was three and a half yards wide, and a hem cord came in the bottom hem. The lining of the bodice hooked in front and the embroidered yoke and draped plastron hooked over. The epaulettes garniture was also fastened to the plastron and effectively hid the mode of closing the bodice. The epaulettes collar was slit at the shoulders in consequence. The yoke was also put in back and was finished by the collarette, which, as well as the edges of the bodice, was embroidered with jet.

It will be seen that the use to which the street gown is put is limited to



FOR JOURNEYS.

gown. In its construction the richest materials may be employed, while there must be more or less severity of cut and finish. If velvet is used, it is better made with great simplicity, as with a coat having full skirts added a skirt clearing the ground and quite plain. The coat should be double-breasted or made in a cosack fashion, fastening at the side. Cloth may be combined with fur or leather and may be shot with silk or in changeable lake effects. Silk may be used in combination with fur. A richness of material not permissible in the shopping



CONTRASTED FROMENADERS.

gown and a simplicity of design not required in the carriage costume is the requisite medium. The shopping gown is either black, brown, or stone color. It may be as plain as you like and manifestly designed to avoid conspicuous modishness in any way. That you may not be mistaken for an ordinary person, however, the rustle of the silken lining must be very crisp, and the fit absolutely perfect. There must not be extraordinary braiding or finishing in the way of trimming.

The matinee gown is a variety of the street dress, but it need not be either plain of cut or material. A particularly stylish example is to be seen in the second picture. Made of blue cloth its bell skirt is ornamented with three bands of marten, a fourth encircles the hips, the V points of the fur appear back and front, and collar and cuffs are likewise trimmed. The front of the skirt is oddly trimmed with satin ribbon, as shown. The carriage gown is of the richest materials and it may employ a startling color or design of color with perfect impunity. The present season compels the use of fur in so many cases that the elegance of effect is usually made in the cloak rather than in the dress. The carriage gown of the warmer season may rival the house gown and the reception gown for ornate and delicate effect. The traveling dress should always be plain, of course, and these materials which show dirt the least are at once the most sensible and fashionable. A model which is extremely plain and yet which presents an attractive novel out of bodice is shown. The fabric used is brown woolen cloth



TWO NEW COATS.

and the skirt is entirely plain. The double-breasted bodice buttons at the right armhole and its short fronts show the bottom of a chambray waistcoat. The log-o-mutton sleeves have wing epaulettes, bodice fronts, cuffs and skirt hem are finished with machine stitching, the only other ornamentation about the dress being a bit of feather trimming about the high collar.

Besides these sorts of outdoor gowns there are dresses for special occasions. Skating dresses are designed with an almost theatrical view to effect. Gowns for wear at exhibitions of outdoor sports have all the elegance of the carriage gown and a suggestion of the skating gown in the bizarre effects sought. The church toilet is perhaps a class of gowns that should be given a place by itself. It may display all the elegance of the calling dress with a subdued effect in color. A pair of stylish, walking dresses are pictured together. One of them is a cloth costume with a draped skirt showing an underskirt of moire silk and having wide revers of the same. The other includes a plain skirt of colored cloth and velvet bodice and sleeves. The bodice is trimmed with a broad, creamy lace band of fur, and a jabot of crepe lace falls from the throat. If the over-skirt must come, it can assume few prettier shapes than that of the first of this year.

MICHIGAN MATTERS.

INCIDENTS THAT HAVE LATELY OCCURRED.

An Interesting Summary of the More Important Doings of Our Neighbors—Weddings and Deaths—Crimes, Casualties, and General News Notes.

Minor State Mention. Michigan pensions have been granted as follows: Original—Calvin Finn, Lake City; Godfrey Gundrum, Leroy; Daniel E. Baker, Coldwater. Increased—Charles E. Ferguson, Coldwater; Zenobia Wells, Decatur; Arat Fuller, Rockford; Myron H. Ellis, New Boston; Alexander McCormick, Midland. Original, Widows, etc.—Nancy Hall (mother), White Pigeon; Mary Lang, East Saginaw; Eliza Marvin, Grand Rapids. Original—Warren G. Morehouse, Battle Creek; Danford Penant, Deerfield; Morris Urch, Mecosta; Daniel Driscoll (deceased), Kalamazoo; Additional—Jacob Billings, Powersville; Increase—George F. Ludlow, Ellettsville; William G. Newberry; Calvin Russell, Brockway; Reineuse Frank P. Bondy, Rockwood; Mills B. Hindsdale, Grand Rapids; Silas N. Bradshaw, Lakeview. Original, Widows, etc.—Minor of Elijah Smith, Sparia; Mary A. Nichols, Galesburg. Renewed—Mary Garrison (mother), Honeiletta. Mexican war survivors—Increase, Stephen Arnold, Wadham; Andrew Pfelfoy, Kalamazoo.

Husband and Wife Will Die. At the village of Robinson, southeast of Grand Haven, a man named Hawkins shot his wife at a constable and two citizens who went to arrest Hawkins were fired on by him as they neared the house. His shots failed to take effect. The constable, who was armed with a shotgun, then opened fire on Hawkins, killing him with a buckshot. Both Hawkins and his wife were fatally wounded. Jealousy, it is said, was the cause of the shooting. Little is known of Hawkins and his wife, except that they came from Texas last summer and bought the farm where the tragedy occurred. Hawkins is about 40 years of age.

Her Forehead Bone. A remarkable operation was successfully performed in Dr. Fleming Carr's clinic at Ann Arbor, the patient being Mrs. Danbury, of Colon. The cause of the trouble was a growth of bone filling the hollow part of the skull, just above the eyes, endangering both the eyesight and the brain. The bone of the forehead was sawed so that a V-shaped portion was taken out, the bony growth underneath in the skull was cut out and then the frontal bone replaced. The patient is recovering nicely.

Christian H. Buhl's Money. The will of the late Christian H. Buhl, a Detroit merchant, bequeathed \$25,000 to the State Hospital, \$10,000 to the Home of the Friendless, \$2,500 to the Protestant Orphan Asylum, \$2,500 to the Working Woman's Home, and \$2,500 to the Woman's Hospital and Foundlings' Home. The sum of \$100,000 is given to the regents of Michigan University, to be devoted to the enlargement of the law library.

Record of the Week. MICHIGAN lumbermen hail the cold weather, as it facilitates the moving of logs from the various camps.

ALBERT A. HAZARD, for twenty-six years a prominent merchant of Kalamazoo, is dead at the age of 62. The taxes in Haynes Township, Alcona County, are 11 per cent. of the total assessed valuation of the property.

CARL SELOUCE, a Milford saloon-keeper charged with selling liquors on a legal holiday, has been bound over to the Circuit Court for trial.

THE Allegan County Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company has 3,108 members, with \$4,555,476 at risk. During 1893 the assessments levied amounted to \$7,408.

ALICE Z. STRAIGHT, a fashionable modiste of Grand Rapids, has filed a chattel mortgage in favor of H. W. Downs, of Boston, for \$8,000. She owes one Paris firm \$3,000.

THE dog poisoner is abroad at Marquette at present, and many a canine in that town is biting the dust. Strayhine is a creature who craves to shuffle off the mortal coil for them.

EAST TAWAS people who have mailed letters on the trains at that point lately claim that the letters have never reached their destination, and a complaint has been forwarded to Washington.

The business committee of the State Agricultural Society has decided to hold the State Fair at Detroit, beginning Sept. 10. They haven't decided, however, whether to continue the Fair one week or two.

JAMES MCCARTHY, the fashionable plumber, of St. Joseph, who was sentenced to prison for crooked work, was taken with convulsions soon after he learned his sentence. The disgrace has well nigh killed him.

W. H. CULP, the balloonist, arrested at the State Fair at Detroit, beginning Sept. 10. They haven't decided, however, whether to continue the Fair one week or two.

CATHERINE M. FILLMORE won her suit at Ann Arbor to recover \$2,000 insurance on her husband's life from the Knights of Macabees. The knights claimed his rights were vitiated by his purchasing stock in a brewing company.

OSCAR BROWN, a Sodus farmer, buried his large potato crop to get a better price in the spring. Noticing a well-broken wagon road across his potato field, he investigated the matter and found hardly enough tubers left to supply the family ladder.

C. W. CHOPIN, member of banking firm at Stanton, which owns an assignment last July with liabilities in excess of assets of \$50,000, has been arrested on complaint of a Mrs. Beggs, who charges embezzlement. Chopin has not yet been able to give bond.

The following are recent appointments to the boards of pension examiners in Michigan: Kalamazoo, Dr. J. W. Bosman, Dr. G. W. Nihart; Hillsdale, Dr. F. M. Stearns; Traverse City, Dr. J. B. Martin; Kalkaska, Dr. R. S. Trask, Dr. S. E. Nelhardt; Saulsbury, Dr. S. N. Rogers, Dr. C. J. Egan.

MARTIN has an epidemic of measles. The Niles paper mills have reduced wages 10 per cent.

Dr. J. W. FINK, a physician of Commerce, became insane from overwork. JORPA will build a creamery to cost \$2,100. Farmers form a stock company.

HORSE-DISTEMPER is prevalent in Schoolcraft Township, near Kalamazoo.

MARION CITY has a good prospect of obtaining a new salt manufacturing concern.

ROY WEDDERBURN, aged 6 years, of Kalamazoo, was run over by a heavy pair of bobs.

CAPTAIN JOHN H. SMITH, who had led a more eventful life than any lake mariner, died at Grand Haven, Mich.

JUDGE SMITH sentenced Arthur McCracken, of Burlington, to thirty days in jail for selling liquor without a license.

ANTOINETTE TRUCKLEY, of St. Ignace, was found dead in a cutter a few miles outside the city, and foul play is suspected.

ESCANABA has established a city woodyard, and gives employment to a large number of men sawing and splitting wood.

GRAND RAPIDS will vote on a proposition to bond itself for \$150,000, with which to build and equip a municipal electric lighting plant.

AN Armada man has invented a fasten holder which holds the iron in such a way that a woman cannot possibly throw it at her husband.

WHILE sewing Mrs. Catherine Miller's clothing caught fire at Adrian. She ran out, doors rolled in the snow, but was severely burned.

A YEAR ago there were no rats in Clare. They are so numerous now that citizens are about to organize hunting parties to exterminate them.

FRANK MILLER, while walking along the railroad track near Sidway, was run over by a train, and his leg was so badly injured that it had to be amputated.

CHAUNCEY LUCE, of Summit City, has a single-bladed knife with an iron handle that is 150 years old, the date, 1740, being plainly stamped on the blade.

At Estey Andrew Glenn shot and killed James Foster. The two men lived together, and Glenn when arrested said the shooting was accidental.

PRICE McKINNEY, receiver for Corrigan, Ives & Co., of Cleveland, has purchased the real estate of the Buffalo Mining Company at Marquette for \$320,000.

MERRITT, a Dimondale druggist, offers to give a warranty deed for a 22-foot lot free to any man who will erect a brick store. There is not a vacant store in town.

WILLIAM S. BILLS, over 70 years of age and nearly blind, started to go to his son's house, only a few rods distant, wandered out into a field, fell down in the snow and was frozen to death.

REPRESENTATIVE AVERY, of Greenville, has introduced a bill, appropriating \$25,000 for furnishing, in addition to the Indian school at Mount Pleasant, which is to be used as a dormitory.

At White Pigeon, a Mrs. Young, despondent because of domestic troubles, endeavored to end them by taking a deadly dose of Paris green; but a doctor and a stomach pump held her on earth.

The instructor in a boxing school at Kingsley broke his arm while giving a lesson in the many art. A pupil lost his temper in being out-generated and clinched the trainer, with the result aforesaid.

In his will Christian H. Buhl, of Detroit, has left the Law Department of the University of Michigan a gift of \$10,000. It is provided that the money shall be expended in purchasing books for the library.

ATTORNEY R. M. WING, defender of Coughlin at Chicago, was once a student of Hillsdale College. He used to think terribly when he got up to speak, then, but he is one of the crack orators of the West now.

THE personal property, machinery, etc., of the Buffalo Mining Company was sold at Niagara for the benefit of the creditors. It was bought in by Price McKinney, receiver of Corrigan, Ives & Co., of Cleveland.

JERRY LE DUC was killed by a falling tree on his father's farm near Pleasant Grove. He was selling his trees, when it suddenly crashed upon him, without warning, causing injuries which resulted in his death.

ADRIAN DE GROOT has begun action in the Circuit Court at Grand Rapids against the Olney-Judson Grocery Co., for \$20,000 damages for injuries received in falling down the elevator shaft in the establishment of the company.

BURGERS broke into the Catholic Cathedral at Marquette and robbed what is called the penitents' box of its contents. The amount taken is not known, but is believed to be about \$50. Some valuable pieces of church silverware are also reported missing.

GEOFFREY RICH has petitioned the Supreme Court for a mandamus directing the Clerks of Gogebic and Gratiot counties to certify and return to the proper State officials returns of the vote cast in those counties on the amendment increasing the salary of the Attorney General.

G. W. CHILDS IS DEAD.

THE EMINENT PHILANTHROPIST PASSES FROM EARTH.

Stroke of Paralysis Leads to the End of the Career of the Great Philadelphian. Publisher—Honors that Have Crowned His Works.

Beloved by the People.

George W. Childs, proprietor of the Philadelphia Public Ledger, died at his residence from the effects of a stroke of paralysis, sustained by him two weeks previous. For some time previous to the day he was stricken Mr. Childs was overruled with work. The service at the Drexel Institute in memory of the late Mr. Childs began to be held and Mr. Childs was particularly anxious that the occasion should be in every way worthy of his lifelong friend and companion. He busied himself arranging the details of the service and at the day approached the termination of his mortal career. The service was to be held Saturday, and Thursday afternoon Mr. Childs was sitting in his office at the Ledger talking with William T. Steele, his private secretary, and I. F. Sheppard, night editor of the paper. Suddenly Mr. Childs began to slip forward in his chair and would have fallen to the floor if the two gentlemen had not sprung forward and raised him up. Mr. Sheppard and Mr. Steele and Mr. Childs himself believed



GEORGE W. CHILDS.

that the attack was nothing more than vertigo. Mr. Childs lay down, and Dr. J. M. De Costa, his family physician, was sent for. When Dr. De Costa arrived he found that Mr. Childs had had a slight stroke of paralysis, due to the physicians have since learned, to the weakening of a main blood vessel in the head and the formation on the brain of a small clot of blood.

Another physician was called in. The doctors at the time did not apprehend any fatal results, as the paralysis was slight and did not greatly affect his mind. However, they had good basis to work upon in Mr. Childs' splendid constitution and orderly life. For more than a week Mr. Childs' condition did not grow any worse, but on the contrary showed slight signs of improvement. The clot of blood on the brain, however, was not absorbed, as often happens in similar cases, and after a week the paralysis began to progress slowly. Shortly before 10 o'clock on the night of his death Mr. Childs' respiration became embarrassed and his pulse began to "fade." His mind remained clear to the last. He was conscious of the signs of approaching dissolution, and although everything that medical science and skill could do to prolong life was done Mr. Childs sank rapidly, and at 3:01 o'clock the generous heart that beat so kindly for his fellow-men was still in death. Except his wife, Mr. Childs had no immediate family.

Universally Liked.

Few men have filled so wide a niche in modern American history as George W. Childs. He was not great in the sense that statesmen have been great; he was a follower of successful soldiers rather than their leader in the formation of public opinion. He was not a publicist in the sense that Horace Greeley was, but he was not a rank or pretent to rank with men like Garrison, Phillips, Everett, Lovejoy and the old phalanx of abolitionists; and the politician's trade was wholly foreign to his nature. Mr. Childs rarely sought to lead, but he was a leader in his career did he so dictate the policy of the Philadelphia Ledger as to make it an aggressive factor in public affairs. To profit by the accession already gained; to build up in conservative ways and to hold on to every element of progress and never lost spirit was the chief secret of Mr. Childs' power for good. That he did a world of good nobody will deny. He acquired the means to do it, and he used it in a style of generosity peculiarly his own.

In the death of Mr. Childs Philadelphia loses one of the citizens of which the city was most proud and the country at large one of its best-known private citizens. From his early boyhood Mr. Childs' life was such that it can stand as a model to the example to all men for what a noble manhood, an honest, upright, conscientious life should be. From a poor and friendless boy, beginning life as an errand boy at \$2 per week, he rose through constant struggles to the position of one of the great publishers of the United States, honored and sought for friend of eminent men in all walks of life.

FREDA WARD'S SLAYER.

How Alice Mitchell Is Spending Her Days in an Asylum.

The second anniversary of the death of Freda Ward at the hands of her girl lover, Alice Mitchell, has passed away. Just two years ago Miss Mitchell killed Freda near the Custom House in Memphis, Tenn., and for this crime she was tried, but upon her insanity being established she was sentenced to the West Tennessee Hospital for the Insane located near Bolivar. Here the life of the prisoner has passed uneventfully.

She rises at 6:30 o'clock every morning and puts her own room in order, though not obliged to do it. She has breakfasted at 7:30, usually a hearty meal—at 7:30, aids the attendants in cleaning up if she feels disposed, reads a little, and talks and plays games with those of the patients who are sane enough to join in such diversions. Dinner is served at 12:30, and in the afternoon, if the weather is fine, the patient are taken for a walk over the grounds. After the walk and on rainy afternoons Alice devotes herself almost exclusively to the practice of music. She is organist in the chapel, takes great interest in the hospital Sunday-school, and is considered the best scholar in the Bible class.

Dr. Douglas, the superintendent, says that, mentally, Alice is much improved since she entered the asylum, but he refuses to give an opinion as to whether she is sane enough to be released. In point of fact, it is doubtful if the girl ever leaves the asylum, even though she may never evince another symptom of insanity. She has proved herself possessed of a homicidal mania, and public opinion will demand that she be kept where a possible recurrence of it cannot work harm to others.

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POLITICAL AND MISCELLANEOUS.

J. M. West, ex-county Treasurer of Tuscola county, is short \$1,185.35. Crawford talent still leads.

Rumors come from Washington that Prof. Wilson is sick. He ought to be. His bill is enough to sicken anybody.

From the County Treasurer's report it would seem that but three saloons are running in Houghton county.

Chicago's treasury is now bankrupt. Democratic rule is fatal to surpluses, both public and private.

By allowing foreign goods to come in, free of duty, everybody is to get rich. Everything is to be cheap, and labor cheapest of all.

The workmen of the United States are rapidly finding out the delusive nature of the free trade theory which befuddled them in 1892.

London newspapers are exulting over the passage of the Wilson bill. Great Britain understands when it has scored a triumph.

Hoke Smith has about despaired of ever being able to sit down comfortably upon Judge Long, of Michigan. Kansas City Journal.

When republicans said that the democratic party is a free trade party, the charge has been indignantly denied. The vote in Congress proves the republican assertion.

The income tax will not kill the Wilson bill, but it will help to kill the democratic party. Then the republicans will make quick work of that measure.

Commissioner Lochren seems determined to make a monumental ass of himself, and Judge Long, of this state, is not hindering him from accomplishing the undertaking. Bay City Trib.

It is just twenty-eight years ago, today, since Gen. Lee was made general-in-chief of the Confederate army. And to-day his aides are "in the saddle," at Washington, D. C.

Commissioner Lochren has withdrawn his suspension of the pension of Justice Long. It comes up again in the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, next week.

It is a significant fact that there has not been an election held anywhere since Cleveland was inaugurated that has failed to show a decided republican gain.

What a happy democratic family it is. Please pass the "free soup," and let the roosters on the hats have a chance to crow: "Grover, Grover! Four years more of Grover!"—Inter Ocean.

The selling of bonds to pay public expenses implies that democratic rule is a thing that was not provided for when our present admirable revenue system was established. Globe-Democrat.

The yell that greeted the passage of the Wilson bill in the House is the shout that thousands of the present idle breadwinners heard frequently, thirty years ago. It was the same old "rebel yell."

Mr. Wilson admits that all the changes in the tariff have been against the protected industries, which is another way for saying that they have all been in favor of the foreign free-trade manufacturer.

The big distillers do not object to an increase of the whisky tax. The big distillers are patriotic men and willingly agree to any necessary public measure that tends to freeze out their small competitors. Kansas City Journal.

James Valentine, of Ovid, this state, owns an ewe which has just given birth to a lamb with eight legs, four ears and two tails, but with no wool at all. He says he is raising democrat sheep since the passage of the Wilson bill, all legs and no wool.

The Cheboygan Tribune says: "The Grayling Democrat is stirring up the board of supervisors of its county for the loose way they do business." It would take a longer pole than the Democrat has to reach the bottom, if it was done thoroughly. "But the more it is stirred the more it etc."

Frank Healey, of Ironwood, chairman of the democratic county committee, has admitted that he changed the election returns in that county in 1891, but that he forgets why he does so. The reason is plain enough, he is now postmaster and he knew his party would not forget him.

The Wilson bill might be entitled "An act to make the national debt perpetual."

The free trade press have considerable to say about the "calamity howlers." And why shouldn't there be calamity howlers, with thousands of willing men howling for work, and their families howling for bread? And are they not justified in howling down free trade and the Wilson bill.—Cleveland.

At a special election held last Tuesday in the 14th and 15th New York Congressional districts, the republicans elected one member and the free traders one. Both districts have heretofore been carried by the opposition. The republican gain in the two districts was 17,089. The same ratio of gain all over the State would give the republicans the State by over 400,000 majority.

We conclude, with this issue, the proceedings of the Board of Supervisors, for their last session, and believe that no board in the state can excel in blunders, which cost money to the taxpayers. Some of them have been made through ignorance, some through partisan bias, but the most for personal spite and from personal considerations. We commend the "Proceedings" to the careful reading of every taxpayer, and trust that in the future the business of the county may be conducted on business principles.

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Chicago newspapers have lately gone into merchandising in connection with their efforts to increase their circulation, to such an extent as to involve them in some difficulty with their prices and good values offered. The Inter Ocean, which was compelled to discontinue its very popular Book Department for no other reason. It continues its World's Fair Portfolio Department, however, which is delivering about 11,000 per day at present and has just added a comprehensive series of "Views of the World," and a book of music called "Harmonized Melodies" on the same plan. They are sold at a certain price, providing the purchaser presents a certain number of coupons cut from the paper.

A Model Number.

The February New Peterson is brimful of capital stories, miscellaneous articles and excellent illustrations. It is in many respects an advance on any previous number. The opening paper on "The Bermuda Islands," by H. O. Walsh, is an admirable account of that delightful winter retreat, and it is illustrated by a series of very effective photographs. One of the gems of the number is "Keeler's Gus," by Frances Courtney Baylor. "The One Event of Moutons Sartoux," by Mignon Villars, is a story worthy of a successful veteran author, although it is the work of a youthful aspirant for literary honors. "A Strange Dwelling," by Robert N. Keely, Jr., takes the reader on an interesting trip into Niagara, and the accompanying photographs are as unusual as they are good. The remaining stories and articles are all of a first-class order. Louise Chandler Moulton, Florence Earle Coates, Ernest McGaffey and others, contribute poems. "The Fireside" is up to its customary high standard, and the illustrated book reviews are by Louise Stockton and other well-known writers. Terms, ONE DOLLAR a year. Address THE NEW PETERSON MAGAZINE, No. 112-114 South Third Street, Philadelphia.

St. Nicholas.

All readers of the January St. Nicholas who remember how Kipling's hero, "Mowgli," threatened to get even with the great tiger, "Shere Khan," have only to turn to the sequel, "Tiger!" in the current number, in order to know how completely Mowgli wreaked his vengeance upon his striped enemy.

Brander Matthews, in his set of papers upon American men of letters, takes up Benjamin Franklin's career, and in a few pages puts together, an admirable critical sketch.

"Tom Sawyer Abroad" is continued by Mark Twain. The characters delight the St. Nicholas boy readers; and no wonder. In the biography of Mrs. Ewing (author of the exquisite "Jackanapes") and "The story of a Short Life" we read that in her last illness "one of the very few books which she liked to have read aloud was Mark Twain's 'Adventures of Huckleberry Finn.'"

Mrs. Collins, of the Dead-letter Office, describes for St. Nicholas the queer, confused, and fragmentary addresses that make up the puzzles solved by the bright brains Uncle Sam has in his service.

People often "skip" poetry, but if they are wise they won't skip the poetry in this magazine. In the February number, we find a clever poem by Helen Grey Cone; a Yankee notion jingle by Lee Carter; and a moral ballad by Janet Robertson. And we must mention Kate Hamilton's story, "A Skater's Stratagem," which ranks high in the list on the scale of excellence.

Most of the magazines are pretty good to "glance over," but St. Nicholas is good to keep and read through as well.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF CRAWFORD CO., MICH.

JANUARY SESSION, 1894.

MORNING SESSION, JAN. 11th, 1894.

Roll called; full Board present. Supervisor Sherman in the Chair. Minutes of last meeting read.

Moved by Sup. Manwaring that the minutes of yesterday's proceedings be approved and adopted as read. Motion seconded. Question called for. Sup. Neiderer rose to point of order that Mr. Manwaring's request, as recorded in the proceedings of the 10th inst., and on page 521, should not be recorded.

Moved by Sup. I. H. Richardson that we now take a recess till 11 o'clock A. M. Motion carried.

Meeting called to order and the Chair sustained Sup. Neiderer's point of order. Sup. Manwaring appeals from the decision of the Chair. Yeas and Nays called. Messrs. Annis, Wakeley, Neiderer and Sherman voting Aye; Messrs. Hickey, I. H. Richardson, Manwaring, Barber and F. P. Richardson voting Nay. The decision of the Chair was overruled. The original question called for. Messrs. Hickey, Ira H. Richardson, Annis, Manwaring, Barber and F. P. Richardson voting Yea; Messrs. Wakeley, Neiderer and Sherman voting Nay. The motion carried and proceedings of yesterday were accepted and adopted as read.

Moved by Sup. Manwaring that the several bills of the supervisors be allowed as charged and the Clerk authorized to draw orders for the same. Motion carried.

Moved by Sup. F. P. Richardson that T. P. Manwaring, Chas. Barber, and I. H. Richardson be appointed as a special committee to investigate the matter of the payment of \$47.00 to John J. Neiderer, Benj. Sherman and Joseph Patterson. Yeas and Nays called. Messrs. Hickey, Ira H. Richardson, Neiderer, F. P. Richardson and Sherman voting Aye; Messrs. Annis and Wakeley voting Nay. Motion carried. To the Hon. Board of Supervisors:

Gentlemen! We would respectfully report the following as the minority report of your committee on finance and settlement: The report of the County Treasurer, made by James Hartwick and John Hanna, shows and proves that not one cent of the County fund has been misappropriated and is correct in every particular as to moneys received and paid out. The State tax and some of town taxes have been added to Contingent and when due, paid from same fund. This does not affect the sum total in the least and has been practiced for years. The majority of your committee on Finance and Settlement are the first to object to this and demand a separation of the funds from the beginning of the year 1893, which demand, if carried out, would cause a good deal of expense to the County, without any material benefit. Now, therefore we commend the action of the Board in accepting and adopting the report of the Treasurer, made by Jas. Hartwick and John Hanna, and recommend that the Treasurer be requested to keep each fund separate and beginning with Jan. 1st, 1894.

(Signed) PERRY MANWARING.

Moved by Sup. F. P. Richardson that the report of the minority of the Committee on Finance and Settlement be accepted and adopted. Yeas and Nays called. Messrs. Hickey, I. H. Richardson, Manwaring, Barber, Sherman and F. P. Richardson voting Yea; Messrs. Annis, Wakeley and Neiderer voting Nay. Motion carried.

Moved by Sup. Manwaring that the Board now adjourn till 1 p. m.

BILLS OF SUPERVISORS.

John J. Neiderer,	\$13 20
Wilson Hickey,	15 00
Arthur Wakeley,	13 44
J. E. Annis,	13 20
Benj. Sherman,	13 80
I. H. Richardson,	14 52
F. P. Richardson,	13 22
Chas. Barber,	13 20
P. Manwaring,	12 00

AFTERNOON SESSION, JAN. 11th, 1894.

Roll called and full Board present. Sup. Sherman in the Chair.

To the Hon. Board of Supervisors: We would respectfully submit the following as the report of your special committee on the bill of John J. Neiderer, Benj. Sherman and Joseph Patterson: We find that Joseph Patterson is not entitled to any compensation. Howell's Statutes, Sec. 551, 557 and 558, pages 217 and 218, and that John J. Neiderer and Benj. Sherman are entitled, as witnesses, to \$1.00 per day and 10¢ mileage one way. Now, we recommend that the bill of J. Neiderer be allowed at \$10.00, and Benj. Sherman be allowed at \$10.00 and Joseph Patterson nothing.

T. PERRY MANWARING, Com.

Moved by Sup. Hickey to accept and adopt the report of the special committee. Yeas and Nays called; Messrs. Hickey, I. H. Richardson, Manwaring, Barber and F. P. Richardson voting Yea; Messrs. Annis, Wakeley, Neiderer and Sherman voting Nay. Motion carried.

Moved by Sup. Neiderer that the Sheriff's bond be accepted, approved and placed on file. Motion carried.

Moved by Sup. Neiderer that the Journal be read. Motion carried.

Moved by J. J. Neiderer to take a recess of 10 minutes. Motion carried. Board called to order by Chairman. Minutes read and approved.

Moved by Sup. I. H. Richardson to adjourn without date. Motion carried.

BENJ. SHERMAN, CHAIRMAN.
JAS. W. HARTWICK, CLERK.
(THE END.)

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He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Christ Peterson, Lars Simonson, Lars Mortenson, Peter Swenson, all of Grayling, Mich. OSCAR PALMER, Register.

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The Avalanche.

J. C. HANSON, LOCAL EDITOR.
THURSDAY, FEB. 8, 1894.

LOCAL ITEMS

Sauv Kraut at Claggett & Pringle's.
Golden's store has been moved to Lewiston.

For fresh Apples, Bananas and Oranges, go to C. Wight's restaurant.
Conductor Chalm and wife are boarding with Mrs. J. C. Evans.

Try Claggett & Pringle's 35 cent tea, 3 lbs for \$1.00.

M. O. Atwood lost a horse in Houghton Lake, last Wednesday.

School tablets and supplies at Fournier's drug store.

Mrs. A. J. Rose is visiting with friends to Hilledale county.

H. B. Wheeler is the new pension agent, at Detroit.

J. Staley has made extensive improvements in his arrangement of the Bank, since the fire.

If you want a good meat roast, call on J. E. McKnight.

Circuit Court will convene next Tuesday. List of cases not large.

A fine line of chest protectors, at Fournier's drug store.

There were no services in the Presbyterian church, last Sunday, on account of the absence of the Minister.

Salt white-fish and mackerel at Claggett & Pringle's.

Chas. Shellenberger caught one of the largest owls we have ever seen, last week, in a rabbit trap. It is a beauty.

For California fruit, all kinds, go to Wight's restaurant.

A. J. Rose returned last Thursday, from a trip south in search of warmer weather. He was not pleased with it.

Go to Claggett & Pringle's for pure buck-wheat flour.

George Taylor went to Otter Lake, last week, to accept a situation offered him.

For toilet preparations, go to the store of Harry W. Evans.

Miss Maggie Hanson returned from her visit with friends in Battle Creek, last Saturday.

Old pop corn, sure to pop, at Claggett & Pringle's.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. Church is entirely free from debt, and money in its treasury.

Regular meeting of Marvin Relief Corps, Saturday afternoon, the 10th. A general attendance is desired.

Go to J. E. McKnight's market for all kinds of Fresh and Salt meats.

A few cords of that wood promised us on subscription, would come acceptable.

See new advertisement of the New Boston Store, in another column.

Regular meeting of Marvin Post No. 240, G. A. R., next Saturday evening, the 10th. Every member should be present.

Blank Camp Orders or Time Checks and receipts for sale at this office.

The subscribers of the AVALANCHE will be furnished with the Semi-Weekly Globe-Democrat, for 75 cents per year.

For choice Pork and Beef Steaks, call on J. E. McKnight.

It is rumored that Lewiston is to have another newspaper. Should not wonder, as there is so much money in the business.

Imported Crystallized Fruits, only 50 cents per pound, at Fournier's Drug Store.

Dentist W. B. Flynn, of West Branch, and Miss Hortense Bouchard, of Bay City, were married last Wednesday.

For School Supplies, Tablets, Pencils, etc., call at the Drug Store of Harry W. Evans.

The finest organ in town, can be seen at the residence of J. C. Hanson. Call and see it. Easy terms to right purchaser.

Mrs. Lewis, of Saginaw county, who came to visit her father, Nelson Hartwick, was taken quite sick, herself, shortly after her arrival, but is now reported to be improving.

Ask to see the famous T. I. C. combination hot water bottles at Fournier's drug store.

We learn from the Lower California that Edward and Jacob Rosenkild, of Grayling, were taken in and swindled by a Land and Emigration Co. in that section.

Go to Claggett & Pringle's for nice fresh canned goods. They have the best.

The Lewiston Journal says another store will be opened in that place in a few days, by a gentleman from Grayling. Wonder who it is. Expect it is a Golden opportunity.

All plush caps, at the store of S. H. & Co., are sold at one quarter off. Come and get one.

The Land Office has been moved into the building on the corner, now occupied by H. Zieglers as a Cigar Factory. It does not require much room for the records.

Aunt Jewima's Pancake Flour is here, something new, very nice, try it. For sale by Claggett & Pringle's.
Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder Most Perfect Made.

Rev. Jno. Irwin went to West Branch, last Thursday, as a delegate to the General Convention of the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor.

S. H. & Co., have the biggest line of fancy pants in town. You can buy them at your own price. Come and examine them.

G. W. Smith and family have moved to Fowlerville. Insufficient store-rooms for their business is given as the reason. We need more store-rooms. The burnt block should be built up. It looks bad.

Aunt Jewima's Pancake Flour is all the rage. For sale by Claggett & Pringle's.

At the meeting Monday night, to organize a Hose Company, J. E. McKnight was elected Captain, and Joseph Burton, assistant. T. A. Carney is foreman of Hose Cart No. 1, and Halger Hanson of No. 2.

Lawney's celebrated Carameles, only 30 cents per pound, at Fournier's Drug Store.

Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder World's Fair Highest Award.

Mrs. S. P. Smith desires to express her thanks for and appreciation of the labor of her friends in assisting in the removal of her goods when threatened with destruction by fire, and for their patronage since she has been in Grayling.

Go to Claggett & Pringle's, for nice fresh canned goods, New Stock, just in.

The New Boston Store will sell goods at lower prices than purchasers ever expected to get them.

Comrade Nicholas Shellenberger is quite sick and has been confined to the house since the first of August. Comrades should not forget to call on him, as their visits tend to cheer him up and break the monotony of his long stay in doors.

Ladies looking for a fine pair of Slippers for their husbands, or sweethearts, will find them at Claggett & Pringle's.

Chas. Webster, a deaf mute, was killed near Wolverine, last Wednesday, by a Michigan Central train.

For fresh Crackers, Cookies, Bread and Confectionery, go to C. W. Wight's restaurant. He has just received a large assortment.

We will furnish our subscribers with Peterson's Magazine, for 85 cents. Demorest's Magazine, \$1.00, and the Delineator for \$1.05 per year.

Claggett & Pringle offer their entire stock of hats and caps at one third off the regular price to close them out. Please don't forget this.

The people of Bay City are making great calculations on the removal of the U. S. land office to that city. Under the present circumstances, it does not surprise us. If they should succeed in doing so, there is room for the office in the new U. S. building.

If you are wandering around town these hard times, with a dollar in your pocket you want to invest where it will buy the most goods, drop in at Claggett & Pringle's. They will give you good values and send you home happy.

Last week some one who held a spite against James C. Neff, of Center Plains township, entered his barn, one night, and stole his harness. It was a despicable piece of work, and the culprit, if apprehended, should be severely dealt with.—Ros. News.

Only a few suits of children and men's clothing left at the store of S. H. & Co. We must close them out at any price. Come and make your selection.

J. H. Pinkerton, editor and proprietor of the Lewiston Journal, was in town, last Tuesday, and made us a pleasant call. He has very rosy cheeks, and the future prosperity of Lewiston, Montmorency county and the Journal, which we trust will be realized.

No more furniture given away by S. H. & Co. But watch the locals, we are making arrangements with manufacturers for a still greater gift, which we in a short time will be pleased to distribute among our customers.

The Department President of the W. R. C., in General Orders, makes honorable mention of the Corps which expended the largest amount for relief, during the past year: Nos. 57, 10, 162, 41, 68, 4 and 31. Grayling Corps, No. 162, stands third in the list, which is quite a compliment to their zeal and efficiency, when we consider that almost every town and county in the State, where such organizations exist, have a larger population and more wealth.

The "Experience Social" of the Ladies' Aid Society, M. E. Church, at W. R. C. hall, last Friday evening, was largely attended; supper excellent; and from the tenor of the experience given, it was fully shown that the ladies have wonderful inventive faculty and that necessity, the mother of invention, was really a female. The receipts were over \$30.00.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. Church wish to thank all who so generously responded in contributing a dollar and who assisted in any way.

Mrs. Bruce Watson, Cedar Springs, Mich., says: "Whenever I am real tired and nervous, I take about seven drops of 'Adironda' and always obtain instant relief." Sold by Lorange & Fournier.

The Y. P. S. O. E. will observe Christian Endeavor Day, next Sunday, Feb. 11th, at the Presbyterian church, 6 p. m. Appropriate exercises have been prepared. All are invited. A collection will be taken up for the furtherance of Mission work among the Indians.

Room No. 23, in the annex to the Soldier's Home, second floor, is designated as "Grayling Rest," and was furnished entirely by Marvin Corps, of Grayling. Every room in the building has been furnished, and the Department President in General Orders compliments the W. R. C. and G. A. R. on the work accomplished, and considers it the crowning glory of the year.

When called upon by Edward A. Phelps, last evening, I was so taken by surprise that I did not properly express my appreciation of the expression of good will to me. On reading over the list of names, I could not accept, in the spirit of the givers, realizing that every signature to the paper says, "I AM YOUR FRIEND." I thank you heartily. Be assured that the coat will cover a heart that will ever remember, with pleasure, each generous giver.

SIBLEY G. TAYLOR.
Grayling, Mich., Feb. 6th, 1894.

Fire Protection.

At the citizens' meeting, last Friday evening, Supervisor Manwaring was called to the Chair and Co. Clerk Hartwick elected Secretary. As a result of the deliberation, it was decided to purchase 1500 feet of hose and proper attachments, two hose carts, 100 feet of ladders, put in a new hydrant opposite the Presbyterian church, and engage a man to see that all fire hydrants in the village were kept ready for instant use.

A Fire Board was elected, consisting of the Supervisor, Messrs. Burton, Brigham, Marius Hanson and Carney, the two first to serve till the next Township meeting, and the others one year longer, and two to be elected each year in the same manner and at the same time as overseers of highways.

A Company is being organized, and Grayling will then be well equipped for fire protection.

Died.

At Midland, Mich., Jan. 27th, 1894, Henry Harrington, aged 70 years.

Henry Harrington was born in Cumberland Co., Eng., in 1815; came to America in 1831, making his home at Central Square, N. Y., until 1882, when he came to Midland, Mich., where he passed peacefully away, without any previous sickness, on the evening of Jan. 27th, 1894.

He leaves, to mourn his loss, a widow in very poor health; two sons, John S. of this place, and T. W. Harrington, of Colorado; two daughters, Mrs. S. W. Murphy, of Midland, and Mrs. L. J. Tryon, formerly of Grayling, but now living at Fenton.

Mr. Harrington had lived for many years a consistent Christian life, and won hosts of friends wherever he went. His firm trust in the Lord, of which he so often spoke during the past ten weeks, is proving the greatest consolation to the sorrowing family.

List of Letters Remaining in the Post Office at Grayling, for the week ending Feb. 8, '94.

Bondy, James. Cawley, James. Hanson, Mrs. Jorgen Madrod. Mrs. J. Downey. Pat. McCowan. Bill. Hanson. Arne. Patterson. P. A. Johnson. Ben. Tuttle. James. LaCourse. Louis. Stuart. Ed.

Persons calling for any of the above letters, will please say "Advertised."

W. O. BRADEN, P. M.

Jury List.

The following persons have been summoned to serve on the jury of the Circuit Court, to be held next week:

GRAYLING TP.—John W. Wilcox, L. E. Parker, John Harrington, Charles Robinson, Victor Salling, Charles Ingerson, Frank Orth, Peter Rasmussen, R. P. Forbes, Geo. Wilcox, John Crandall, R. D. Connine, W. W. Metcalf, A. H. Marsh, John Williams, J. C. Burton, Emory Odell, Jerome Wait, John Staley, A. C. Wilcox, Wm. F. Brink, CENTER PLAINS TP.—A. H. Wisner, R. W. Wilcox; FREDERICK: J. J. Higgins.

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If you are suffering with a cough, cold or any throat or lung difficulty, the only sure way to cure it is to take Otto's Cure. We know that it will stop a cough quicker than any known remedy. If you have Asthma, Bronchitis, Consumption, a few doses of Otto's Cure will surprise you. Samples free. Large bottles 50c and 25c at L. Fournier's.

Dr. John Cole, V. S.
All parties desiring to employ the services of a first-class Veterinary Surgeon, call on me at my residence one door north of Town Hall. Calls promptly attended day or night. Office at residence.

Big Excitement in Town.
Over the remarkable cures by the Grand specific of the age, Bacon's Celery King, which acts as a natural laxative, stimulates the digestive organs, regulates the liver and kidneys and is a natural great healer and health restorer.

If you have Kidney, Liver and Blood Disorder, do not delay, but call at L. Fournier's drug store for a trial package. Large sizes 50c and 25c.

Wanted.
Ladies and gentlemen suffering with throat and lung difficulties, call at our drug store for a bottle of Otto's Cure, which we are distributing free of charge, and we can confidently recommend it as a superior remedy for Coughs, Colds, Bronchitis, Consumption, and all diseases of the throat and lungs. It will stop a cough quicker than any known remedy. We will guarantee it to cure you. If your children have a cough or whooping cough, it is sure to give instant relief. Do not delay, but get a trial bottle free. Large size 50c and 25c. Sold by L. Fournier.

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If you saw the World's Fair, you want it as a perpetual souvenir of a memorable visit.

If you don't get there, you want this to see what you missed, and to fill your mind with its beauty and glory of the White City.

Call on the nearest Michigan Central ticket agent and he will furnish you with the first part and tell you more about it.

Feb. 8, 4t.

The story of the first occupant of Room No. 11, in the annex to the Soldiers' Home at Grand Rapids, is very touching and we give it for the benefit of those who were instrumental in providing for their comfort: "Mrs. L. is totally blind, has been married 50 years and lived continuously with her husband, except during the years he was absent in the army, until he, by reason of age and infirmity, was sent to the Soldier's Home seven years ago. She was then taken to the poor house, where she stayed two years. From there she was taken to the Home of the Little Sisters of the Poor, in Jackson, where she remained until some time last year, when she was returned to the poor house. This aged couple are now united after a separation of seven years, and it is beautiful to see the kind care of the husband for his blind old wife. He takes all her meals to her, for she is not able to go to the dining room, and in many ways shows the joy and gratitude he feels in having her once more near him."

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PRINCE IMPERIAL

A YOUTH WHO MIGHT HAVE BECOME NAPOLEON IV.

His brilliant military career at Woolwich, the West Point of England—Eager for Fame—His Sad Death in Zululand, Africa.

Died a Soldier.
On June 10, 1879, the Prince Imperial, son of Napoleon III, was killed by the savages in Zululand, Africa, and thus ended a life full of promise. Princes are not always worthy of esteem, but the young man, who hoped yet to become Napoleon IV., was a brilliant exception. When his parents soon after the close of the Franco-Prussian war, settled at Chislehurst, England, the young prince, then in his 15th year, entered the Royal Academy of Woolwich to receive a scientific military education. In the United States West Point affords the same instruction to all cadets alike, those who are most successful passing into the scientific branches; but in England the cadets for the line are educated at Sandhurst, and the severer tuition of Woolwich is restricted to candidates for the engineer and artillery



THE PRINCE IMPERIAL.

branches. The prince took his chance with his comrades, both at work and play. At the end of his Woolwich course he passed seventh in a class of 35, and had he gone into the English service he would have



HOW EUGENIE'S SON WAS SLAIN.

been entitled to choose between the engineers and artillery. During his Woolwich career he won the love and respect of his comrades; his instructors spoke warmly of his modesty, conscientiousness, and uprightness, and pronounced him truthful and honorable in a high degree.

After leaving Woolwich he lived mostly with his widowed mother, the Empress Eugenie, at Chislehurst, but traveled on the continent occasionally, and mixed a good deal in London society. The attainment of his majority was made a great occasion by the imperialist adherents to testify their adherence.

The Zulu Campaign.
The brave, patriotic French prince tired of his inactive life in England



A ZULU WARRIOR.

and thirsted for military renown. He doubtless thought that if he distinguished himself in war his chances for ruling France some day would be greatly improved. The war that England was in '79 carrying on against the Zulu tribes in South Africa gave him the desired opportunity. He obtained the necessary permission of the prime minister, Great Britain, and joined the English forces. His bravery and desire to be in the midst of all fighting was soon re-

marked by the officers in command. On June 10 the Prince obtained permission to go on a sketching expedition—to draw up a map of the battle ground. Permission was granted him, as no danger from the enemy was anticipated, and he set out with a small escort consisting of Lieut. Carey, seven soldiers and a guide. The site of an intended camp having been planned by the Prince and Carey, the party ascended



WHERE THE PRINCE IMPERIAL FELL.

an adjacent hill and spent an hour there in sketching the contours of the surrounding country. No Zulus were visible in the wide expanse surveyed from the hilltop. The party descended the hill and at its foot rested a while and ate luncheon. About 3 o'clock the guide reported that he had seen a Zulu entering the field of grain in their front. The Prince gave the suggestive orders, "Prepare to mount." "Mount." Next moment, according to the evidence, a volley of twenty or thirty bullets were fired into the party. Lieut. Carey and five of the soldiers escaped in mounting their horses and escaped uninjured. The Prince's horse was maddened by the firing and the Prince could not succeed in getting into his saddle. As he grabbed the pommel of the saddle the girth gave way, the horse plunged ahead and the Prince was left alone. He rushed toward a clump of trees and shrubbery and was there overtaken by the Zulus, who killed him with their javelins. Afterward his body was found. He was lying on his back, naked, save for one sock. His right eye was destroyed by the stab of a javelin or spear. The surgeons agreed that this wound, which penetrated the brain, was the first and fatal wound, that the other wounds were inflicted on his dead body. Of these there were found many inflicted on his chest, arms and sides, besides a nick in the abdomen, which the Zulus invariably inflict on slain enemies as a protection against being haunted by their ghosts. The body of one of the troopers was found near him still more horribly mutilated. The Prince's body was taken back to England and now reposes beside that of his father, Napoleon III, in the chapel at Chislehurst. His afflicted mother a year later, in '80,

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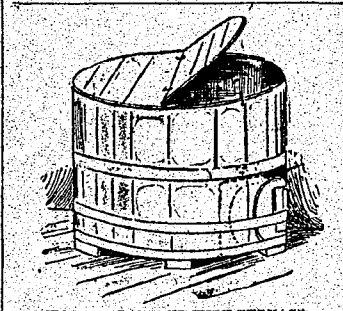
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HOME BATHS FOR THE POOR.

Even the Humblest Farmer in Japan Can Have His Tubbing Every Day.

One of the marked differences between the tillers of the soil in Japan and the peasantry of other countries is the superior cleanliness of the former. Travelers have frequently remarked upon the fact, but it remained for a correspondent of the Boston Herald to discover the cause for this superiority of the Japanese farmer over his brethren of the Occident. The Jap is addicted to his tub.

"Even the poorest houses," writes this correspondent, "have their bathtubs, which are provided with a simple and inexpensive apparatus for heating the water. It would be a great benefaction to introduce this convenience into our agricultural districts, where anything like a bathtub is almost unheard of. The simplest of these bathtubs are round, about as large as the half-hogsheads in which our New England farmers scald their hogs, and made perfectly smooth inside. Another form, more convenient, is oval. In the lower half of one end an iron or brass pot is inserted and extends inside the tub. In this a wood or



WOODEN BATHTUB WITH FURNACE. (Dotted line shows furnace inside and dash line shows seat and front partition.)

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houses in nearly all the school districts, while there are normal schools, colleges, and an agricultural and mechanical college at Stillwater supported by the Territory. In religion there has been the same prompt provision made, to show that it is abreast of older civilization. There are 166 Methodist Churches, 25 Baptist, 24 Congregational, 25 Catholic, 24 Presbyterian, 8 Episcopal, and 50 Christian Endeavor societies.

WEALTHY NEGROES.

Millions of Dollars Owned by the Colored People of This Country.

The amount of wealth owned by negroes in this country is not generally realized, and when it is said that this aggregates about \$250,000,000 most people will be greatly surprised. From carefully culled statistics it is an authentic fact that in Louisiana the colored population pays 25 per cent. of all taxes! In that most dreaded of all slave States, Georgia, the former slave class owns \$8,000,000 in real property. Even the statistics of South Carolina reveal \$10,000,000 of property in the names of her former bondsmen. Alabama, which includes the heart of "the black belt," accredits \$12,000,000 of taxable property to its colored citizens.

The late Dr. P. A. White, a prominent druggist of New York, left an estate valued at \$6,000,000; he used to do an annual business of \$200,000. In Washington, D. C., thirty or forty colored residents own \$1,000,000. In Baltimore there are nineteen who are estimated to be worth \$1,000,000 also. In the City of Brotherly Love John McKee is said to own four hundred houses and other property, worth in all \$500,000. Isiah C. Weems, of the same city, has a comfortable bank account, and has for the past twenty years bought a house each year. Richard Grant and Mrs. John Jones, of Chicago, are each worth \$70,000. These are all individual efforts, and furnish abundant evidence to certify the progress of the race since emancipation. In the Savings Bank of Charleston, S. C., there is to the credit of colored depositors about \$125,000. Two colored banks in Washington, D. C., have been able to stand through the late financial panic. At Pine Bluff, Ark., the street railroad system is owned by a negro.

In Marysville, Cal., twelve colored citizens own ranches valued at \$180,000; besides owning the signature which controls comfortable bank accounts. In San Francisco, a colored woman owns eight houses, a ranch near San Mateo and \$100,000 in government bonds. Twenty-seven colored citizens of Missouri have accumulated a fortune of \$1,000,000, in amounts ranging from \$20,000 to \$500,000. By retrieving several severe financial losses A. G. White, of St. Louis, a noted purveyor, has acquired a capital of \$300,000. In the former hot-bed of slavery, Kentucky, negroes own 200,000 acres of land, 8,000 town lots and 52,000 head of stock, the whole valued at \$4,000,000. Nor has the acquirement of wealth by negroes been confined to the late slaveholding States. In eight counties of Iowa, they own property estimated to be worth \$750,000, a per capita of \$200 as against \$184 in the former slave States.

MRS. GADABOUT.

A Woman Whose Aim is to Make Untime.

Mrs. Gadabout is a type of woman who has little to do herself and whose aim appears to be to prevent others from accomplishing any more. Calls at unseemly hours are her pet hobby. If she can only catch a room or a person in confusion, then she is happy, for it furnishes her with a ready topic of conversation when she visits other homes.

In a country town she pretends great friendship, and trading on this intimacy, generally comes in at the back door just at the time when a stranger's presence is least appreciated. If a cake is a failure, she is sure to be on hand that day for tea; if the kitchen is in particular confusion, her face looms up in the doorway, and she offers to help. It is the heartiest desire to keep hidden is sure to be pointed upon by her during one of her ill-timed visits.

In country and city alike she surprises the wife in tears, the husband in a temper, and with a poorly concealed delight endeavors to console the one or the other, all the time worming out of them words which will sound very differently when repeated by her at the next house.

If anyone were to accuse her of being a gossip, she would deny it most emphatically. She is only anxious for company, that is all. Here is a gregarious nature, and if she happens in at the wrong time it is her misfortune rather than her intention. But it is not a misfortune at all; it is her stock in trade. She that happy woman who can smile at the other side that is not generally shown and just so long as idle women exist, just so long will her type flourish on the revelations that come to light in these moments when one thinks the doors are locked and hearts barred against the invasion of strangers. —Philadelphia Times.

The King's Cook.

The King of Sweden popped in the other day at the Sailors' Home at Stockholm, just as dinner was being served up, and asked the permission of the sailors to be their guest, which of course, they consented to. Suddenly his Majesty exclaimed to the chamberlain: "Why, look here, here's excellent cabbage soup. I never got such soup as this at my table." After this the King went into the kitchen and interviewed the cook. This diplomatic proceeding ended by the cook being taken into the king's service.

Persian Carpets.

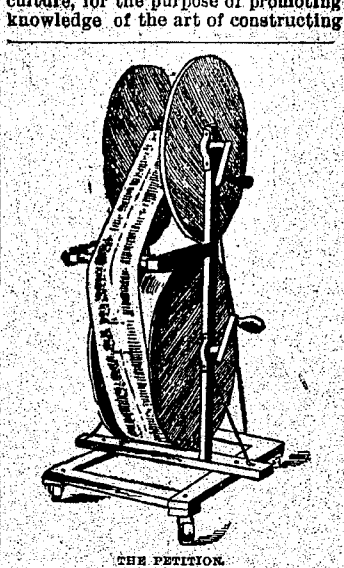
People in Europe who buy Persian carpets little think of the enormous labor that has been expended on the weaving. It is done exclusively by hand, and every stitch in the carpets is made separately, being afterward clipped with the scissors and beaten down. Some idea of the work may be formed when it is known that in a good carpet there are ten thousand stitches to every square foot.

Cut off a rooster's spurs and you take the italics all out of his crow.—Ram's Horn.

A REMARKABLE PETITION.

Recently Presented to Congress for Road Reform.

The memorial presented to Congress in favor of good roads, for which Senator Hoar recently stood sponsor, contained the names of 150,000 signers from all over the United States, praying that there be established at Washington a department of roads similar to the department of agriculture, for the purpose of promoting knowledge of the art of constructing



THE PETITION.

roads, and that in such department adequate provision be made for the instruction of students. Among the signers are the Governors of seventeen of the States and other State and United States officials, judges, lawyers, doctors, merchants, editors and prominent citizens generally, and it was indorsed by the Legislature of Massachusetts by chambers of commerce and boards of trade, by trade unions and labor organizations, by banks and large corporations and by all sorts and conditions of men.

The petition was unique in form and mammoth in proportions. It was 1,400 yards long and was wound around two gigantic reels, arranged one above the other in a frame of oak seven feet in height, the whole weighing 600 pounds. It required the united efforts of half a dozen Senate employees to get it properly before that body and to get it off the floor and into the committee-room after it had been referred to the Committee on Interstate Commerce. The movement in favor of good roads is growing rapidly, as is shown by the great number of signatures to this petition, though it must not be imagined that it represents any very important fraction of the people who are in favor of road reform.

MGR. SATOLLI'S HOME.

Catholics Purchase a Residence for the Papal Delegate.

Roman Catholics of this country have recently purchased a house at Washington, D. C., for Mgr. Satolli, Papal delegate to this country. The price paid was \$25,000, and the house itself is an interesting one, with some historical associations. It is a large,



MGR. SATOLLI'S RESIDENCE.

square, red brick house, trimmed with brown stone, and on two sides has a well-kept lawn. It is situated on the northwest corner of Second and I streets. Behind the house lie gardens which are shut from the public view by a lofty brick wall. Within the house is plainly furnished, the library being the most conspicuous room. The chapel, when finished, will, it is said, be very elaborately fitted up, since churches from all over the country wish to contribute to its furnishing.

The house has been known as the Bradley mansion, and was built by Stephen A. Douglas. At the time of the war it passed out of his hands, and in 1873 Justice Joseph C. Bradley, of the Supreme Court, bought it and lived there till his death. A few months ago the property was bought by Thomas Kerby, and by him sold to those interested in finding an abiding place for the Papal delegate.

How He Died.

The late Catholic Bishop of Rahoe used often to tell this story with much enjoyment: "I was suddenly called," he said, "from my home to see an unfortunate sailor who had been cast ashore from a wreck, and was lying speechless on the ground, but not quite dead. 'The life's in him still, your reverence,' he stirred a little.' So I stooped down and said to him: 'My poor man, you're nearly gone; but just try to say one little word, or make one little sign to show that you are dying in the true faith.' So he opened one of his eyes just a wee bit, and said: 'Bloody end to the Pope!' and so he died."

Compulsory Religion.

A writer of the day gives an amusing illustration of the religious enthusiasm of the Russians, and their desire to extend the knowledge of truth. The authorities every now and then make an excursion into Siberia and bring back a lot of Buddhists, whom they proceed to baptize in spite of their loudly expressed dissent. After baptizing them they say to them: "Now, you dogs, you are Christians, and you can go and pray to your nasty gods as much as you wish, and thank them that you are Christians."

BLINKS—"Have you read that article on 'How to tell a bad egg?'" WINKS—"No, I have not, but my advice would be, if you have anything important to tell a bad egg, break it gently."—Brooklyn Life.

A COBRA'S NEST OF EGGS.

Discovery of a Batch of Thirty-two in British India.

Rather more than a year ago, says the Madras Pioneer, the fact was mentioned in a Bombay paper that a gentleman connected with the Goa Railway had shot a hamadryad (Ophiophagus elaps) on its nest. This awkward mouthful of a word is coming to be familiarly known as the name of the giant cobra, more common in Burmah than in India, which grows to a length of fourteen feet, is as fierce as it is strong, and has the reputation of feeding principally on other snakes. Little, indeed, is known about the incubation, we might almost have said the alleged incubation, of snakes, and rarely if ever, has a competent observer had the good chance to come upon a serpent in the very act of sitting, hen-like, on its eggs. Only the bare fact was published at the time, and a fuller account can not fail to be interesting.

The gentleman was Mr. Wasey, known in his district as an ardent and successful shikari; and he was told by a coolie, in the matter-of-course sort of way usual with these fatalist philosophers, that a certain path was impassable, as a cobra had erected a gadi, or throne, for itself there and warned intruders. Here was a golden opportunity to settle the vexed question of the aggressiveness of venomous snakes. Will a cobra rush to the attack if it can get easily away? Europeans commonly say "no," but natives universally cite instances to the contrary, some of them plainly fabulous, but others only wanting corroboration to be believed. Now here in British India, or at least in Portuguese India, was a giant of the tribe, known to all the villagers to have taken up its station by the roadside and to be ready to glide down and rush like lightning at man or beast who approached. Mr. Wasey followed the coolie to the spot and was shown the monster coiled up on the top of a huge pile of dry leaves.

Without more ado he shot it, and turning over the leaves found at the bottom thirty-two eggs rather smaller than a hen's and covered each with a tough skin in place of a shell. These were sent to the Secretary of Bombay Natural History Society; but wanting the heat generated by the close mass of decaying leaves, they did not hatch. Sometimes more than one young one escapes from a snake's egg; but at the lowest computation Mr. Wasey is to be congratulated on ridding his district of thirty-three deadly snakes.

On the Flyer.

We are 100 miles from New York now, and although I carry a time card, I am unable to read the names on the stations. Holding my watch in my left hand I tap the case with my right; the engineer shakes his head slowly and holds up three fingers; we are three minutes late. I cross over, take a seat behind the driver, and speaking loud at the back of his neck, express the hope that we will reach Albany on time.

He says nothing. I cross back to the other side, and as often as he whistles I ring the bell. A minute later he turns to the fireman and shouts: "Look out for her, Jack," at the same time pulling the throttle wide open. Jack knew his business and proceeded to look out for her. Taking the clinker hook he leveled off the fire, shook the grates and closed the furnace door. The black smoke rolled thick and fast from her stack, then cleared away, showing that she was cutting her fire beautifully. Swinging the door open the skilled fireman threw in three or four shovels of coal, closed it, and leaned out of the window, watching the stack. The trained fireman can tell by the color of the smoke how the fire burns.

The few pounds of steam lost in fixing the fire, and by reason of the throttle being thrown wide open, is soon regained. The pointer goes round to 180, and the white steam begins to flutter from the relief valve at the top of the dome. She must be cooled a little now, or she will pop and waste her energy. An extra flow of cold water quenches her burning thirst, and she quiets down. * * *

We are making a mile a minute. What would the driver do if he saw before him a burning bridge or the red lights of a standing train? His left hand is on the throttle; he would close it. Almost in the same second his right hand would grasp the sand lever, and with his left he would apply the brakes. With both hands, in about the third second, he would reverse the engine. Perhaps he has heard that old story that to reverse a locomotive is to increase her speed—that a bird will fly faster with folded wings; he may pretend to believe it, but he will reverse her just the same. If she has room she will stop. Even without the aid of the air-brake she will stop the train if the rail holds out. I ought to say that the instant he reverses the engine, he will kick the cylinder cocks open—otherwise he may blow off a steam chest or a cylinder head.—McClure's Magazine.

A Clever Ruse.

To get rid of a bore, try the method pursued by a certain Harlem clubman. When accosted by one he shakes hands warmly with his persecutor, glances round anxiously, and dropping his voice, confidentially remarks: "Say, I must be off. There's an awful bore here that I want to dodge—talk a fellow to death. You understand, old boy?"

The bore (with a wink): "I understand, old fellow!" (Departs without the remotest suspicion that he is the bore.)

Trading in Crowns.

A manufacturing concern in Birmingham drives something of a trade in crowns. They are real ones, of solid gold, with cap of crimson velvet, incrustations of garnet, topaz, and various kinds of cheap but showy stones, and are supplied to the kings of Africa in return for ivory and other merchandise. The time has gone by when an ancient top hat, adorned with turkey feathers, sufficed to impart a halo of magnificence to Ethiopian royalty.

No Room for Doubt—the Reclamation.

room.—Yale Record.

OUR BUDGET OF FUN.

HUMOROUS SAYINGS AND DOINGS HERE AND THERE.

Jokes and Jokelets that Are Supposed to Have Been Recently Born—Sayings and Doings that Are Odd, Curious, and Laughable—This Week's Humor.

Let Us All Laugh.

One's shortcomings go a long way against him.—Galveston News.

ALWAYS look after things before they get by you.—Galveston News.

The good hackman is known by his carriage.—Florida Times-Union.

Brewers should belong to the order of Knights of Malta. Pica-yune.

ADVENT SPIRITS—Those that kiss the medium at a seance.—Texas Siftings.

"NEVER too old to learn" does not apply to "After the Ball."—Elmira Gazette.

The neighbor's bulldog may teach a man to lead a chased life.—Florida Times-Union.

A DEAF MUTE can scarcely be said to have pronounced ideas.—Philadelphia Record.

SNOOSBY—What did old David Trimble die of? Bogsby—Of his initials.—Exchange.

The man who gets in office may be called the master of the situation.—Florida Times-Union.

THEATRICAL companies that do the least walking are those with the most legs.—Elmira Gazette.

FOR constant cheerfulness the lumberman takes the cake; he is always chipper.—Lowell Courier.

"JOHNNY, is your father a firm man?" "Yes, morn; when he knows he's wrong."—Plain Dealer.

"NOW, I WANT to give you a point," said the doctor as he prepared to jab his lancet.—Boston Traveller.

SHE—Do you like Wagner's music? He—Oh, yes, since I have become partially deaf.—Detroit Free Press.

GUIDE—Have you seen the Sistine Chapel? Tourist—Sixteen? Why, I've seen about fifty of them.—Hallow.

The cook-book recipe is too often like the disappointing novel. It does not come out right.—Boston Transcript.

EVERY woman thinks there should be a law to protect her husband from paying a bet that he loses.—Athol Globe.

JURON says that under the laws against gambling a bookmaker's contracts are not binding.—Buffalo Courier.

WIFE—What kind of cards do you think make the best calling cards? Husband (absent-minded)—Aces.—Rochester Democrat.

It is comparatively easy to go to a foreign port, but wine experts say that precious little foreign port comes to us.—Lowell Courier.

CALLER—Has Dr. Killquick many troublesome cases on hand? Office Boy—No; his patients never last more than three or four days.

"BILKIN'S is a strong face, or I'm no judge of physiognomy." "It ought to be. He and his whole family are living on it."—Buffalo Courier.

A KENSINGTON man calls his dog "Traction," because as soon as he lets him out of the house he goes tearing up the street.—Philadelphia Record.

Most people get their grip checked if they are going away. Some people who fail to get their grip checked in time go away never to return.—Troy Press.

JINKS—I don't think it looks well for a minister to wear diamonds. Filkins—Why not? Aren't there sermons in stones?—Kate Field's Washington.

"I WONDER what this image represents?" "The god of humor, probably. Don't you see that it is full of little funny cracks?"—Indianapolis Journal.

JINKS—"Don't you believe that spirits are all moonshine?" Filkins—"Oh, no; some of them pay internal revenue taxes."—Kate Field's Washington.

"I SEE they have founded a new secret order and called it 'The Supreme Tribe of Ben Hur.'" "Is that so? Well, such an order has never been heard of."

"I WONDER how it was discovered that fish was a brain food?" She—Probably by the wonderful stories that men tell who go fishing.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

How did it happen that Miss Blanche refused you? It was understood that you were her favorite? "The regular way—the favorite didn't win."—Tid-bits.

PROF. LANGLEY's efforts to devise a practical aerial machine are now being seconded by Prof. Graham Bell, who is taking a flyer that way.—Philadelphia Ledger.

STRAWER—"What have you in that envelope that you are handling so carefully?" Singler—"A live fly. I've got to catch an early train in the morning."—Judge.

WHENEVER a man falls his wife tells the public that he was too "conscientious" to succeed. What she tells him in private is sometimes different.—Athol Globe.

DINWIDDIE—"Bookkeepers and sleight-of-hand performers have much in common." Van Braam—"How so?" Dinwiddie—"They both flourish in the ledger domain."—Pittsburgh Chronicle.

